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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 -36. (cancelled)

37. (currently amended) A method comprising the steps of:

receiving a transmissions from a plurality of health care providers via a facsimile device, said transmission including a facsimile image of a document containing medical information relating to a patient of a health care provider ~~said medical facility~~, along with a separate facsimile form having a first coded information thereon, said first coded information being used to associate said document with an account relating to said patient, said separate facsimile form further having a second coded health care provider identifier, said second coded health care provider identifier identifying a health care provider submitting said document containing medical information, said facsimile device transmitting said transmission to a processor via a public-switched telephone network;

receiving at said processor a plurality of said transmissions from said plurality of health care providers, each of said transmission, including said documents containing medical records relating to a plurality of said patients and each of said transmissions including said separate facsimile form, sent from said plurality of health care providers, wherein each set of said documents is received along with said separate facsimile form;

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automatically storing at said processor said images of said transmissions in a memory location relating to one of said patient account associated with said first coded information on said separate facsimile form and further associating said images of said transmissions with said separate coded health care provider identifier; and

providing at least one image from said images of said transmissions from said account associated with said first coded information to an authorized user at a user designated device in response to a request received.

38. (previously presented) The method according to claim 37, wherein said separate facsimile form further comprises a third coded information identifying a particular type of medical information being received.

39. (currently amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein said coded information is a barcode.

40. (currently amended) The method according to claim 38, wherein said third coded information identifies a form of medical information selected from the group consisting of blood test, radiology[.] and EKG.

41-52. (cancelled)

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53. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 37, wherein said step of receiving said transmission from said account associated with said coded information includes providing said patient an access information for accessing document containing medical information.

54. (currently amended) The method as claimed in claim 37 further comprising the steps of:

receiving documents containing medical information from wherein two or more health care providers, among said plurality of health care providers, each having separate coded health care provider identifiers; ~~, may submit said documents containing medical information to be~~

storing said received documents containing medical information stored in association with said first coded information[[,]]; and

providing an opportunity fro said one or more health care providers to may subsequently review only said documents containing medical information stored in association with said second coded information.

55. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 54 further comprising the steps of:

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wherein providing an opportunity for said patient to may alter access rights to said documents containing medical information stored in association with said first coded information: and

providing an opportunity to such that a first health care provider having a corresponding first coded health care provider identifier to may review documents containing medical information stored in association with said first coded information that are associated with a second health care provider having a corresponding second coded health care provider identifier.

56-57. (cancelled)